

Rolls-Royce secures new jet engine testbed in Texas



early 2020s, one in two new widebody passenger aircraft will be powered by Trent engines.

"This additional testbed helps us improve the capability and flexibility of our global test network and will provide us with additional capability to run endurance analysis, accruing valuable data on our latest engine programs," said Gareth Hedicker, Rolls-Royce, Head of Experimental – Civil Aerospace.

Rolls-Royce also lately announced the development of a new testbed facility at its site in Derby, UK, as part of an ongoing commitment to support the expansion in delivery of engines expected over the coming years.

Until its closure in early 2016, TAESL was a maintenance repair and overhaul (MRO) facility run as a 50-50 joint venture between American Airlines and Rolls-Royce. Having signed a lease with property owner, the City of Fort Worth, Rolls-Royce expects the testbed to be operational in a few months with approximately a dozen employees.

Rolls-Royce is to operate a jet engine testbed at the Alliance Airport in Fort Worth, Texas.

Rolls-Royce signed a lease to take over the entire 440,000 sq. ft. former Texas Aero Engine Services LLC (TAESL) facility, of which the testbed is a part.

The testbed will be used to carry out endurance test runs for Rolls-Royce Trent engines, allowing the company to continue

to support its growing fleet at a time of unprecedented activity.

Rolls-Royce is at present launching three new large civil aero engines into service. The Trent 1000 TEN entered service in November last year, powering the Boeing 787 Dreamliner, and the Trent XWB-97 and Trent 7000 will enter service this year on the Airbus A350-1000 and Airbus A330neo respectively. By the



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RUAG Aviation completes onsite aircraft repair events for Russian-based AeroGeo Airlines



RUAG Aviation, a leading supplier, support provider and integrator of systems and components for civil and military aviation worldwide successfully resolved three separate and highly exacting aircraft maintenance and repair events for AeroGeo Airlines. Two Pilatus PC-12 and one Cessna Caravan 208, remained at a standstill in Siberia and were in need of major repair services before they could fly again. RUAG sent three teams to Siberia over the course of 2017, with each of the projects lasting for several weeks.

AeroGeo Airlines had added a PC-12 to its fleet to support its growing operations. This aircraft, as with the second PC-12, had been inactive for an extended period of time before being added to the fleet.

"We were keen to have the aircraft flying and contributing to our operations as soon as possible. That is why we contacted RUAG to manage the entire project. They came highly recommended by a colleague, and satisfied RUAG customer, who also operates PC-12s in Russia," states Alexander Mamaev, CEO, AeroGeo Airlines.

"RUAG provided us with outstanding support and we were very impressed with how they approached each of the projects," he confirms. "They handled every detail with absolute professionalism, beginning with an onsite visit to assess the scope of work. The RUAG teams then arrived in Siberia with the all the necessary tooling and equipment, and worked diligently to provide exact solutions for every task and issue, even in the sub-zero tempera-

tures."

The onsite repair and maintenance events required spare parts and work on the airframe, cables, component mechanisms and engines. Additionally, the Cessna Caravan 208, grounded due to a frontal impact, was in need of large structural repairs.

Each of the three projects was managed by its own RUAG team assigned to stay onsite in Siberia until the initial repairs on all three aircraft fulfilled the NTO standards for ferry and test flights, as specified by the OEMs.

AeroGeo Airlines welcomed this, "Continuity in personnel ensured we were able to discuss every detail efficiently and knowledgably. This saved time overall," Alexander Mamaev asserts. "RUAG ensured that all procedures and repairs were precisely coordinated and that everything ran smoothly," he states. All projects progressed according to the set schedule, with the second PC-12 aircraft achieving NTO status in October. AeroGeo scheduled both Pilatus aircraft for visits to the RUAG maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) facilities in Geneva, Switzerland, following the repair work in Siberia.

"A willingness to provide thorough aircraft support where and when customers need us is crucial to serving their operational demands. Our teams are dedicated to providing support, 24/7, even in remote locations, and even in challenging -20°C temperatures," states Volker Wallrodt, Senior Vice President Business Jets, Dornier 228 & Components.

Airbus strengthens its presence in China, signs agreement to ramp up A320 aircraft production

Airbus has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Development and Reform Commission of China (NDRC) on the further development of industrial cooperation in Tianjin, a major port city in northeastern China. The agreement was signed by He Lifeng, Chairman of the National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) of China and Fabrice Brégier, Airbus COO and President Commercial Aircraft in Beijing. Both sides agree to further improve their industrial collaboration in Tianjin and strengthen the partnership with regards to technical innovation, engineering capabilities and supply chain development.

Airbus and its Chinese partners have also signed a framework agreement on ramping up its A320 production rate at its Final Assembly Line in Tianjin to six aircraft per month.

This industrial ramp-up targets five aircraft per month by early 2019 and six per month by early 2020. Since its launch in 2008, the Final Assembly Line in Tianjin has assembled a total of 354 A320 Family aircraft (by 31st December, 2017). Deliveries to Chinese customers and to operators throughout the Asia-Pacific region included the first A320neo in the second half of 2017.

"The industrial cooperation between Airbus and China and its continued success are a true role model of a winning partnership between China and Europe. Together with our Chinese partners we are proud to lift our cooperation to new heights," said Fabrice Brégier, Airbus COO and President of Commercial Aircraft.

StandardAero, USAF sign T56 engine MRO contract for C-130H aircraft fleet



The United States Air Force (USAF) has signed an agreement with StandardAero for its Rolls-Royce T56 Engine Depot Overhaul, allowing the company to continue its support of the USAF fleet of C-130H aircraft for an additional 8 years. The total contract value is more than \$600M and work will be carried out at StandardAero's facilities in San

Antonio, Texas and Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

Under the new agreement, StandardAero will continue to provide the same high quality support the USAF has experienced previously, but at a reduced cost. Moreover, the contract now includes support for the new 3.5 engine configuration and associated components.

"This is a fantastic achievement for our T56 teams in San Antonio and Winnipeg, who have continuously earned high performance ratings for our Air Force customer," said Mark Buongiorno, VP/GM of StandardAero San Antonio. "With this longer duration contract, we can work with the USAF to focus on time-on-wing improvement initiatives, which will help optimize the life-cycle-cost savings for the fleet of T56 engines."

"Our San Antonio facility now has a broad and continued volume of work, and strong relationship with the USAF, U.S. Navy and OEMs," said Scott Starrett, President of StandardAero Military and Energy division. "We will continue to leverage new growth opportunities for our facility, and for other StandardAero divisions."

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Rockwell Collins wins performance-based logistics contract from Defense Logistics Agency



US-based Rockwell Collins has received a \$22 million contract from the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) to provide support for the Robins Air Force Base maintenance depot. As the

DLA's first performance-based logistics (PBL) contract with the Air Force, the initial contract will run for three years with Rockwell Collins providing total supply chain management for

replacement parts on the AN/ARC-171, AN/ARC-190 and AN/ARR-85 airborne communication products.

The PBL agreement will bring enhanced readiness to the Air Force by ensuring greater visibility to demand at the depot maintenance line, reduced inventory and infrastructure costs, value added logistics, engineering support and obsolescence management.

"Keeping the warfighter's mission needs as the top priority, we collaborated with the DLA and experts at Robins Air Force Base to develop a tailored parts management solution," said Alan Prowse, vice president and managing director, Americas, for Rockwell Collins. "Our teamwork will produce successful, measurable, repeatable results, while allowing the Air Force to truly authenticate the value PBLs have."

Indian Navy and Boeing sign contract for P8I aircraft training simulator and construction of new facility at Tamil Nadu



The Indian Navy has signed a contract with US-based Boeing for procurement of training simulator for P8I aircraft along with construction of a 60,000 sq ft civil facility (Training, Support and Data Handling Centre) and an on-site Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract for a period of 10 years. The complete training facility would be commissioned at INS Rajali, Arakkonam, Tamil Nadu.

Besides, a dedicated Maintenance Simulator would also be commissioned at Naval Institute of Aeronautical Technology (NIAT), Kochi for ab-initio training of

the technical personnel, according to a news agency.

The P-8I aircraft is equipped for long range anti-submarine warfare, anti-surface warfare, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance in support of broad area, maritime and littoral operations. Its communication and sensor suite includes indigenous equipment developed by defence PSUs and private manufacturers. The aircraft is capable of thrusting a punitive response and maintaining a watch over India's immediate and extended areas of interest.

Workhorse Group wins FAA certification for test flights of SureFly electric hybrid helicopter



Workhorse Group Inc., an American manufacturing company based in Ohio has received an Experimental Airworthiness Certificate from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to conduct test flights of its SureFly electric hybrid helicopter. Workhorse announced that it intends to spin off its SureFly business into a separate publicly traded company called SureFly, Inc.

SureFly, the world's first electric hybrid helicopter, features a drone-like octocopter design, a two-person, 400-pound payload capacity and a range of approximately 70 miles.

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Bombardier Global 7000 mock-up to debut at Jetex Private Terminal in Dubai



Bombardier Global 7000 aircraft mock-up will be on display at the flagship Jetex Private Terminal in Dubai from January 11 to February 3, 2018. The full-size mock-up will make its debut in the Middle East to unveil the aircraft's matchless spaciousness, luxury, and comfort, as well as its high-end, fully equipped kitchen.

"We are proud to collaborate with Jetex to showcase the industry's most innovative business jet. The Global 7000 aircraft offers no compromise in terms of range, cabin space and comfort, and it will set the standard for a new category of business jets," said Khader Mat-tar, VP, Sales, Middle East, Africa, Asia Pacific & China, Bombardier Business Aircraft. "The Middle East represents a huge growth opportunity for aircraft manufacturing; we are excited that the

mock-up will be on display in Dubai so that customers can discover why the Global 7000 aircraft offers the smoothest ride and is the perfect home away from home."

The 32-metre long mock-up is a full-scale reproduction of the Global 7000 aircraft. Jetex will celebrate its arrival with a lavish cocktail event held in the convivial surroundings of its flagship Dubai South facility. The Global 7000 aircraft mock-up is expected to remain at the terminal for just under a month, offering guests a rare opportunity to arrange an appointment for a special private viewing.

Jetex CEO & President Adel Mardini said, "Jetex is delighted to collaborate with Bombardier to offer our guests an exclusive opportunity to step on board the stunning Global 7000 aircraft. We believe the synergies in our businesses

make the Jetex FBO terminal in Dubai an ideal venue for the regional debut of this incredible triumph of engineering. Our facility is among the largest of its kind worldwide, and delivers unprecedented levels of luxury, comfort and dependability to the same clientele who will ultimately own this wonderful aircraft."

Guests will be able to explore the full length of the cabin, from the cockpit's cutting-edge technology and the full-size kitchen to the spacious bedroom and the luggage bay at the rear. The Global 7000 aircraft will be the first and only aircraft in its class to offer four living spaces and a full-sized crew suite, and its meticulously crafted interior will include personalised living areas where passengers can work, dine, sleep and relax in supreme luxury and comfort. The Global 7000 mock-up features a dining area, entertainment lounge, en-suite master bedroom and private washroom. The fully equipped kitchen features a large cooking surface and high-end appliances, as well as ample room for dinnerware and glassware, offering a sense of home comfort. The interior of the aircraft will be highly customisable and owners seeking to create the ultimate in-flight experience will be able to configure the interior to reflect their personal tastes.

The Global 7000 aircraft, the world's largest purpose-built business jet, has a top speed of Mach 0.925 and an outstanding 7,400 nautical mile range, allowing it to connect the world's most expansive city pairings while delivering the ultimate smooth ride.

Swiss-AS' AMOS to support Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation for new MRJ90 flight testing

Japan-based Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation has selected Swiss Aviation-Software's AMOS (Aircraft Maintenance and Engineering System) to support the certification process for its new MRJ90 Regional Jet.

"We are very proud that Mitsubishi Aircraft Corporation could see that AMOS can help manage the critical certification process for their new regional jet," states Ronald Schaeuffele, CEO of Swiss-AS.

Although AMOS has been developed for



airline maintenance departments and MRO companies, the high configurability of the system can be configured to manage the

pre-production certification requirements.

AMOS will be used to manage and support the flight-testing process in the US taking place at the Moses Lake flight test centre.

"Implementing and configuring AMOS to flight testing of the Mitsubishi Regional Jet will allow us to streamline our flight testing process. We are greatly looking forward to our partnership with Swiss Aviation-Software and integrating AMOS into our program," comments Hitoshi Iwasa, Head of Moses Lake Flight Test Centre.

Vietjet receives first A321neo powered by Pratt & Whitney GTF engines



Vietjet, an international low-cost airline from Vietnam celebrated its first A321neo aircraft delivery at Airbus in Hamburg, Germany. The aircraft,

powered by Pratt & Whitney Geared Turbofan (GTF) engines, arrived in Ho Chi Minh City shortly after Vietjet celebrated six years of passenger flights

and ten years since the airline was founded.

"We are very happy to take delivery of our first GTF-powered A321neo," said Dinh Viet Phuong, vice president of Vietjet. "We believe that the GTF engine will deliver exceptional fuel efficiency and a superbly quiet passenger experience."

Vietjet placed an order for 63 A320neo family aircraft in February 2016, and ordered an additional 10 aircraft last month during a signing ceremony in Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam. Both contracts included multi-year EngineWise Fleet Management Programs.

"We are honored to provide Vietjet with the GTF engines for its first A321neo," said Rick Deurloo, senior vice president of sales, marketing and customer support at Pratt & Whitney. "The GTF engine with brand-new technology has changed the game on economic and environmental performance, and we're certain Vietjet will enjoy these benefits."

Flying Colours commences Bombardier aircraft paint work for MHI Canada Aerospace

Flying Colours Corp., a privately owned and operated aviation services company has started work fulfilling a long-term paint contract with MHI Canada Aerospace Inc., (MHICA), which is expected to last five years.

Under the terms of the agreement, Flying Colours will paint over 40 center fuselage sections of the Bombardier Global 5000/6000 aircraft at the company's Peterborough, Ontario facility each year. Flying Colours has invested over \$1 million constructing a new, dedicated paint facility specifically designed for the project. The separate unit adds over 4,000 square feet to the existing paint shop footprint, and features two separate paint bays designed to facilitate easy access and egress of the fuselage component. It also includes a management and oversight office, as well as



storage for the required primers, paint and coatings.

Each shrink-wrapped fuselage is delivered to Flying Colours from the MHI Canada Aerospace 270,000 square foot production facility in Mississauga. On arrival, the fuselage goes through a pre-paint inspection before Flying Colours begins an eight-stage process that includes preparing the fuselage, priming for paint work, applying corrosion inhibitors and fuel barriers, before final

paint spray application. Upon completion, the inspected fuselage is shipped back to MHICA, where it becomes part of the fuselage assembly line.

Flying Colours Corp. was selected for the project owing to its broad experience working across the Global family of business aircraft. It is also a Bombardier Authorized Service Facility and Bombardier preferred completion centre.

"We have worked with this aircraft for more than 10 years

which has given MHI Canada Inc. the confidence in Flying Colours' ability to fulfil the required mandate," says John Gillespie, president, Flying Colours. "This is an exciting and significant new business activity for us. We have invested significant time, money and planning into making this project a long-term success. It also demonstrates we have an expert team that can fulfil extensive long term paint projects of this nature, wherever they come from in the world."

Executive Focus

AJW Group names Han-Ley Tang as Chief Technology Officer

AJW Group, a world-leading independent specialist in the supply, exchange, repair and lease of airframe and engine spare parts, has selected Han-Ley Tang as Chief Technology Officer. Han-Ley will be reporting directly to Christopher Whiteside, President and CEO of AJW Group, and will be a

member of the executive leadership team.

Han-Ley will be responsible for leading AJW's worldwide IT functions, focusing on enhancing performance and digital transformation. He will assume responsibility for ensuring AJW continues to

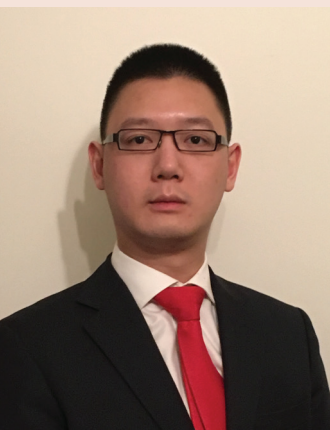
leverage technology in support of the company's long-term strategic plan.

Han-Ley has broad financial services expertise and a track record of devel-

oping strategy and delivering change within the IT and digital arena. Han-Ley is a Cambridge graduate holding a certificate in Management Accounting. His previous positions include Director in Group Technology at UBS AG, strategic roles at PwC and Altius Consulting, along with roles in Deloitte Forensics and Deloitte Consulting.

Christopher Whiteside, President and CEO, AJW Group, commented, "Han-Ley's appointment is an important step in our evolution as we continue to focus on building a best-in-class IT organisation. He will be critical to a number of business and IT transformational projects which will power our future growth and I have no doubt that his wealth of experience will prove invaluable."

Han-Ley Tang said, "I am delighted to be appointed as CTO at AJW and am looking forward to implementing a number of technology enabled, customer-centric initiatives to drive growth through digital transformation and improve business performance for our customers."



Han-Ley Tang
AJW Group

Etihad Aviation Group names Mark Powers as new Group Chief Financial Officer

Etihad Aviation Group (EAG) has appointed Mark Powers as its new Group Chief Financial Officer. Powers will join EAG in January 2018.

In his new role, Powers will be responsible for the finance function across Etihad Airways, Etihad Airways Engineering, Etihad Airport Services, Hala Group and Airline Equity Partners.

Powers joins Etihad Aviation Group from Tulane University's A.B. Freeman School of Business, where he was Professor of Finance. He has held senior leadership roles at major airlines including JetBlue, where he most recently held the position of Chief Financial Officer.

He also worked for Northwest Air-

lines, where he held the position of Vice President Treasury, Corporate Finance; for Continental Airlines, where he was Treasurer and Associate General Counsel; and for GE Aviation, where he was Director Customer Finance and Commercial Engine Programs.

Tony Douglas, Group Chief Executive Officer of Etihad Aviation Group, who officially assumed his role on 3 January, said, "We are delighted that Mark will be joining the executive leadership team at Etihad Aviation Group. His corporate finance knowledge of aviation is unrivalled and he is extremely familiar with the challenges and opportunities that face our industry."

New top appointments in Airbus, China

Eric Chen, previously president of Airbus Commercial Aircraft China, succeeds Laurence Barron as chairman of Airbus China. Simultaneously, George Xu has been selected CEO of Airbus China. In his role as country head of Airbus China, Xu is responsible for all Airbus Commercial Aircraft activities and for leading the company's Helicopters and Defence and Space businesses in China.

"It's my privilege to have been working with Airbus for more than 20 years. As the Chairman of Airbus China, I will continue to support Airbus' development in China. We have a dynamic team here, and with the fresh blood like George joining our management team, I look forward to an even more promising future of Airbus China," said Eric Chen.

"I feel honoured to re-join Airbus China as its CEO. China has the largest Airbus fleet in the world and will continue as one of the fastest growing aviation markets in the next decades. My predecessors and the Airbus China team have achieved great successes in China. I commit to keeping the momentum going and to continue working closely with our teams to achieve new successes. I am confident China will continue to play a key role in Airbus global strategy," said George Xu.



Eric Chen
Airbus China



George Xu
Airbus China

Lockheed Martin appoints Richard Edwards Executive Vice President, Lockheed Martin International and Frank St. John Executive Vice President, Missiles and Fire Control

Lockheed Martin, a global security and aerospace company headquartered in Bethesda, Maryland has named Richard “Rick” Edwards as executive vice president, Lockheed Martin International and Frank St. John as executive vice president of the company’s Missiles and Fire Control (MFC) business unit. Both serve as corporate officers and the appointments are effective immediately.

Edwards joined Lockheed Martin nearly 35 years ago and for the past five years has served as executive vice president of MFC. Under his leadership, MFC won several noteworthy long-term strategic contracts and grew international sales by 12 percent to 37 percent of MFC’s 2016 sales. In 2017, Edwards was also chosen to lead the corporation’s growing business in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and he will retain that responsibility.

Under his leadership of Lockheed Martin International, he will focus on developing and executing strategies to expand the corporation’s international business by reinforcing customer relationships and industry collaborations.

“Rick is an accomplished leader and strong customer advocate who has con-

ducted business all over the world,” said Marilyn A. Hewson, Lockheed Martin Chairman, President and CEO. “His extensive knowledge of our international business operations and his proven business leadership will position us to increase international growth.”

St. John joined Lockheed Martin more than 30 years ago and has held a number of leadership positions. Most recently he was executive vice president and deputy, MFC programs, where he was responsible for overseeing all MFC lines of business and program performance to ensure the business area met or exceeded customer and shareholder expectations. Previously he was vice president of Tactical Missiles/Combat Maneuver Systems and head of the MFC Orlando Operations. St. John began his career as a Lockheed Martin engineering intern and has held a number of progressively responsible leadership roles in Engineering and Program Management on programs such as Joint Air to Ground Missile (JAGM), Joint Common Missile (JCM) and Longbow Missile and Fire Control Radar. St. John holds Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in

electrical engineering from the University of Central Florida.

“Frank is a seasoned leader with a deep understanding of the MFC business and strong customer relationships,” continued Hewson. “With his proven track record, I’m confident that we will continue to deliver on the strong record of success of the MFC business area.”

“Rick and Frank’s appointments reflect the depth of our talent at Lockheed Martin and our robust succession planning process,” said Hewson. “I’m confident that their leadership, deep business knowledge and technical expertise will position Lockheed Martin for continued success.”

Richard Edwards
Lockheed Martin



Frank St. John
Lockheed Martin



AAR CEO David P. Storch announces plans to retire, AAR President & COO John M. Holmes to become new CEO

David P. Storch, chairman and chief executive officer of AAR Corp. announced his plan to retire as CEO after 39 years with the Company effective May 31, 2018. AAR president and chief operating officer John M. Holmes was elected by the Board of Directors to become CEO effective June 1, 2018. Storch will continue to lead the Board as its non-executive Chairman and work alongside Holmes on business strategy, talent development and industry relations.

“David’s entrepreneurial spirit and leadership helped AAR to stay one step ahead during his 39 years at the Company. He not only had a vision but also the ability to rally AAR

employees around his vision to take AAR to the next level,” said AAR Board Member and Lead Director James Goodwin. “The Board believes John has the experience to be the next leader, having learned every aspect of the business on his way up the ranks. The succession planning the Board conducted, under David’s leadership, will allow for a smooth transition and continued success for the Company under John.”

“The Board and I have tremendous confidence in John’s ability to take AAR to new heights,” said Storch. “Since joining the Company in 2001, John has successfully navigated the peaks and valleys of the aviation industry. He

has been a key leader in AAR’s progress toward becoming the best provider of aviation services worldwide, consistently producing superior growth rates across the businesses.”

Holmes joined AAR from investment banking 16 years ago as Director of Mergers and Acquisitions, became General Manager of AAR’s parts trading business in 2003, and progressively assumed responsibility for the other solutions that comprise Aviation Services – Integrated Supply Chain, OEM Aftermarket Solutions, Intelligent Solutions and MRO Services – culminating in becoming President and Chief Operating Officer of AAR on June 1, 2017.



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